Upgradation of Railway Stations in Andhra Pradesh

2711. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of railway stations taken up in the Tenth Plan for upgradation in the State of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) the present status of upgradation work in the above stations;

(c) the amount sanctioned in the first three years of the Tenth Plan for this purpose to the State of Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) the details of track in Kilometers upgraded as a part of modernization in the Tenth Plan in Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) With **a** view to provide upgraded passenger amenities, 13 stations in the State of Andhra Pradesh have been nominated as model stations. These are Dharmavaram jn., Guntakal, Guntur, Hyderabad, Kacheguda, Kakinada Town, Nellore, Rajahmundry, Secunderabad, Tirupati, Vijayawada, Visakhapatnam and Warangal.

(b) Out of the 13 stations, works have been completed at 11 stations.

(c) The Railway Budget is prepared Railway zone-wise and not State-wise. Improvement/augmentation of amenities for passengers at stations including works of upgradation of stations as model stations are carried out under plan head "Passenger Amenities". There are 4 Zonal Railways, viz. Southern, South Central, East Coast and South Western Railways, which serve the State. The allocation/expenditure under plan head "Passenger Amenities" for the last 3 years in four Zonal Railways falling in State of Andhra Pradesh is shown in the table below:

(In Rs. crore)

Railways	2003-04—Actual Expenditure	2004-05—Actual Expenditure (Provisional)	2005-06—Budget Estimates (Allotment)
Southern	20.04	20.69	17.63
South Central	15.63	41.35	13.32
East Coast	3.55	4.16	8.96
South Western	3.94	4.67	10.26

(d) Track Modernization is a part of track renewal works. State-wise details are not maintained for track renewal works.